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General Thomas D. White  
Chief of Staff  
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Dear Tommy:

Thank you very much for your letter of 8 February concerning the invitation that I received from General McCormack to speak at the meeting of the Air Force Scientific Advisory Board on 20 April.

I have been trying to cut down on my speaking engagements and there just does not seem to be any possibility of my getting out to the Academy to participate in this meeting. As I told General McCormack, I sincerely regret that I will be unable to join him at that time. However, I suggested to him that Mr. Robert Amory, who is one of my Deputy Directors and is very knowledgeable of the subject matter, represent the Agency.

Your thoughtfulness in writing to me about this meeting is indeed appreciated.

Sincerely,

*W.D.*

Allen W. Dulles  
Director

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